ENGLISH MARINERS FORBIDDEN TO SAIL WITH A STRANGER

Information has been given that there is at Dartmouth a flyboat of Enghuizen called *The Dolphin* prepared to go to Flushing and the Newfound Land, that, for her better conduct, intends to be furnished with English manners The Council order that no English pilot, master or mariner, in any wise be permitted to go either in that ship or in any other strange bottom to the Newfound Land If (notwithstanding the Queen's straight commandment) any person be hired for lucre by a stranger, he shall be committed to prison for his contempt

ijth April THE SIEGE OF ROUEN RAISED

It is reported from France that the siege of Rouen is raised, the King having been suddenly advertised thac the Duke of Parma was marching towards his camp with 12,000 foot and 4000 horse He was within four leagues of Rouen before the army rose, using all possible diligence in his march to surprise the King and defeat his army of rutters in their lodgings and the English troops in their quarters This was only prevented by the discovery and advertisement of the Duke of Bouillon, who made his retreat with the rutters in view of the Duke of Parma's army with great hazaid and no loss Thus the King's army was forced to inarch away with all haste, and at its rising had very hot skirmishes but without loss Sir Roger Williams' horse was shot, and his hat in two places , he served very honourably with great courage and discretion in the view of the King, greatly to his commendation, as did many of the English who were the last to retreat

That night the army encamped within a league of Pont de

L'Arch, expecting the coming of the Duke of Parma to give battle whereunto the Duke of Mayne and Vilhers earnestly pressed him Whereupon the King was immediately advertised and made choice of the place of battle, fortifying and trenching the place

The Duke of Parma lodged at Croissett, and his army along the river He sent to all castles and gentlemen's houses where was great store of corn to cause them to bring it to Rouen